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A Mabon Outline

Anon

(soon to be a major Mabon Ritual, at a terminal near you.)

General Mabon info to start with, set the mood, etc.:

What is Mabon?

Mabon, sometimes known as the Harvest/Thanksgiving Ritual of the Autumn Equinox, is one of the Spokes of the Wheel of the Year. In the many Earth of Pagan Religions, a special kinship with the passing of the seasons is felt this is usually due to the history of the said Tradition, most of which stem from agrarian culture, where the season marked the way of life. From planting to reaping to winter to summer the seasons were of great importance to our ancestors, for their very existence depended upon good harvests, mild winters, enough rainfall, and the like.

So having shown the importance of the seasons, we shall turn to Mabon itself. Autumn Harvest time the reaping of what was sown and cared through during the year. A time of Thankfulness and Rejoicing. So, of course, someone, at some point in time must have said "Now that the work is over LET'S PARTY !!!"

This is the essence of Mabon. Rejoicing in a bountiful harvest, thanking the Gods for being so kind during the year, and, hopefully, helping in winning over the Gods' favor for the coming year.

About THE MABON RITE itself:

Now, this will be a very Discordian Ritual in that each participant will be (more or less) writing his/her own part. This outline is provided to sorta nudge (nudge, nudge, wink, wink, say no more sir, say no more!) people into making their individual pieces able to fit into the whole thing (I feel like the Green Ball outta "HEAVY METAL", the movie, something which ties things together).

Back to the rite itself.

Basically, 6 personages will be represented:

A Caller or Watcher of the EAST, SOUTH, WEST, and NORTH.

A High Priest, and A High Priestess.

Of course, since this is a generic Rite, the terms "Lord" and "Lady" will be used when referring to the Male and Female aspects of divinity/godhood/whatever individuals may use which ever names they wish, for a Rose, by any other name, would still smell as sweet.

OUTLINE:

A. Invocation once everybody has arrived, a Circle shall be cast, more or less, and the 4 Watchers/Callers each get to do their thing invoking that which that direction symbolizes to come and attend the festivities. After which, either the HPS or HP, or both would consecrate the circle in our case the circle will be around each person at their 'puter with a sense of being connected to each other via the others' 'puters. So what we'll do is after the circle is cast, and the 4 corners have done their things, then the HP will call upon the Lord to attend, and the HPS shall call upon the Lady, (or, if we want to be different, we can have the HP call the Lady, and the HPS call the Lord it's not as traditional, but I know of some Ladies who are more likely to pay attention to some Young HP than some HPS, if you get my meaning [wink]).

B. Once invoked it's time for the thanksgiving part we all got things we're thankful for now's the chance

C. After the Thanks are over, a customary requesting of Blessing for the coming year is asked.

D. That done with, it's time to dismiss the summoned ones first, around the circle each corner doing it's thing the dismissal consists of a Hail to the being summoned, a flattery (as I call it), and then a structured dismissal (e.g. "Air of the EAST blah, blah, blah, Go if thou must, but stay if thou wilt"). The HP and HPS dismiss the Lord and Lady last with similar words.

E. PARTY TIME!!!! get out the Beer, munchies, what have you celebrate you've earned it.

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